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SUBJECT: FURTHER DETAILS ON AZERBAIJAN'S IMPLEMENTATION OF UNSCR 1737 AND 1747

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(C) Further to REF B, on March 30, poloff delivered REF A points to Azerbaijani Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) Security Affairs Department officers who have responsibility for coordinating the Azerbaijani Government's response to UNSCRs 1737 and 1747. MFA officers said that Azerbaijan had formed a UNSCR 1737 working group and that the group's first meeting had been held on February 23, at the MFA. This working group includes numerous Azerbaijani government ministries, including the Ministry of Internal Affairs, the Ministry of National Security, the Ministry of Defense, Customs Committee, Border Service, Ministry of Finance, National Bank, and others. At the meeting, the working group discussed the interpretation of UNSCR 1737, specifically how Azerbaijan would interpret several of the vague passages. Since the initial meeting, the UNSCR 1737 working group has been moved to the authority of deputy Prime Minister Yagub Eyyubov in the Council of Ministers. Because Azerbaijan's 1737 committee had only been able to meet on February 23 and the "60-day report" was due on February 24, Azerbaijan asked the UN for an extension of the deadline, and informed the UN that they would report both on 1737 and 1747 together. Since the passage of 1747, the 1737 working group will expand to include the UNSCR 1747, which MFA officers said was more "watered down" and subject to interpretation.

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